

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT				1. Contract ID Code		Page 1 of Pages 2	
2. Amendment/Modification No. 02		3. Effective Date Jul 15, 2002		4. Requisition/Purchase Req. No. TAIP3450-2-90138		5. Project No. (if applicable)	
6. Issued By DOC/NOAA/OFA / External Customers Acq. OFA66 1305 East West Hwy, Suite 7604 Silver Spring, MD 20910				7. Administered By (If other than Item 6) DOC/NOAA/OFA / External Customers Acq. OFA66 1305 East West Hwy, Suite 7604 Silver Spring, MD 20910			
8. Name and Address of Contractor (No., Street, County, and Zip Code)				(X)	9A. Amendment of Solicitation No. SABITP-02-RQ-0018		
				X	9B. Date (See Item 11) Jun 27, 2002		
					10A. Modification of Contract/Order No.		
					10B. Date (See Item 13)		
Code		Facility Code					
11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is extended <input type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.							
12. Accounting and Appropriation Data (if required) \$							
13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACT/ORDERS. IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.							
(x)	A. This change order is issued pursuant to: (Specify authority) The changes set forth in item 14 are made in the Contract Order No. in item 10A.						
	B. The above numbered Contract/Order is modified to reflect the administrative changes (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) Set fourth item 14, pursuant to the authority of FAR 43.103 (b)						
	C. This supplemental agreement is entered into pursuant to authority of:						
	D. Other (Specify type of modification and authority)						
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.							
14. Description of Amendment/Modification (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)							

The purpose of this amendment 2 is to respond to questions received as follows:

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.			
15A. Name and Title of Signer (Type or Print)		16A. Name and title of Contracting Officer (Type or Print)	
15B. Contractor/Offoror		16B. United States of America	
15C. Date Signed		16C. Date Signed	
(Signature of person authorized to sign)		(Signature of Contracting Officer)	

Question 1 - What is the last date for requesting clarifications to questions?

Answer - 3:00 pm EST., July 17, 2002.

Question 2 - Is there a page limit for the Technical Proposal?

Answer - No.

Question 3 - Section M's last page is titled Section N and Page N-4, is this in error?

Answer - Yes this is in error, there is no Section N, it should be M-4.

Question 4 - Sections F.3 (f) and F.3 (h) have the term "Vector Scientists". Please clarify what is meant by this.

Answer - Section F.3 of the solicitation is deleted in its entirety.

Question 5 - Can the offeror propose a suggested work plan that is different from the one required in Section C.3.8 and F.3 without penalty in evaluation?

Answer - The offeror is free to propose a suggested timetable that differs from that in Section C.3.8. The offeror should note whether they are willing to comply with Section C.3.8 as stated in the solicitation. Section F.3 of the solicitation is deleted in its entirety.

Question 6 - We have noticed that Section C.3.7 is missing, please confirm Section C.3.7 is blank.

Answer - Correct, Section C.3.7 of the solicitation is blank.

Question 7 - Refer to Section C.2 of the solicitation states that the contractor shall develop and implement a program to train four groups of 14 to 18 managers (65 total) from the NIS in food packaging and processing issues. Each session will last three to four weeks. The sessions will focus on topics and regions as follows:

Group One: Single-use packaging [for the Russia Far East; 4 weeks]

Group Two: Dairy processing and packaging [Ukraine and Russia Far East; 3 weeks]

Group Three: Confectionery Industry [Ukraine only; 3 weeks]

Group Four: Fruits and Vegetables for Kazakhstan and Central Asia [four weeks]

Section C 3.3, 3.4 and 3.5 continue to further define the single-use packaging program, the dairy processing program and the confectionery program. Nowhere is the fruits and vegetables program for group four discussed in greater detail.

Will the fruits and vegetable training program details be released as a modification to the original solicitation? Or will this portion of the program be dropped altogether?

Answer - There will be a fruits and vegetables program for Kazakhstan and Central Asia. The precise topics have not yet been determined. These will be determined by the Government. The offeror may develop their proposal based on their knowledge of the industry and regional needs.